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In re Application of:

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**REPLY AND AMENDMENT**

In response to the Final Official Action mailed on June 15, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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**IN THE CLAIMS**

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Please amend claim 36:

36 (Three Times Amended). A computing method, comprising the steps of:

processing application programs in a base computer system at a first location,